Spotlight on writing an analysis: analysing properly

Analysing a text is all about explaining what effect a text has on you and how it achieves that effect. How does this work in English? Check it out with the help of the following tips.

Analysing means explaining in detail **what**, **how** or **why** something happens or happened.

This is a typical analysis task:

Explain *how Allie's feelings change during the presentation.*

Focus

To do this, look at how she acts and speaks at the beginning, in the middle and at the end of her presentation.

Tips

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Golden rules for analysing properly

# Rule no. 1	Give the facts: what, how and why?
# Rule no. 2	Make sure you don't leave out anything important.
# Rule no. 3	Help the reader understand how you "read" the text by explaining what your impressions are and why you have them.
# Rule no. 4	Give a lot of details to make your point clear.
# Rule no. 5	Don't make thinks up.